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Case No. <u>10022-415</u>

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

WINTER, et al.

Serial No:

09/421,713

Filed:

October 20, 1999

Examiner: Abdi, Kambiz

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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR

FACILITATING,

COORDINATING AND

MANAGING A COMPETITIVE

MARKETPLACE

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a))

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a petition for an extension of the time to respond to Office Action dated August 21, 2003 for a period of two (2) month(s).

X Applicant:

-		claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.			
	\boxtimes	is other than small entity			
		Extension <u>Months</u>	Other Than Small Entity	Small Entity	
		One Month Two Months Three Months Four Months Five Months	\$110.00 \$420.00 \$950.00 \$1,480.00 \$2,010.00	\$55.00 \$210.00 \$475.00 \$740.00 \$1,005.00	
Fee Payment					
	Attached is a check for \$ for the Petition fee.				
	Attac	Attached is a credit card authorization form for \$ for the Petition fee.			
\boxtimes	Petiti Char	Charge Petition fee to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached. Charge any additional fee required or credit for any excess fee paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.			
Respectfully submitted,					
Dated: January 21, 2004			Amir N. Penn Registration No. 40,767 Attorney for Applicant		

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